

PARTNERING FOR PREVENTION



Dear Friends in Public Health:

This is a very exciting time for public health. Businesses, schools and health care providers are partnering to improve access to health care, reduce health disparities and increase the quality of life. We are fortunate to have the wide variety of high quality health services available to the people of Lincoln.

The Community Health Endowment of Lincoln, the Public Health Foundation, Community Health Partners and others have joined forces to make Lincoln the healthiest community in the nation. As a former Mayor and active public servant for the past several decades, I've seen first hand how important effective partnerships can be.

We must be willing to give a little of ourselves and our resources if we want to accomplish our goals. The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department is commended for giving leadership to a public health plan of action that involves all aspects of the community.

Please accept my challenge and join me in the 21st century as we all "Partner for Prevention."

Helen Boosalis



University of Nebraska Medical Center Collaborates to Promote Children's Dental Health

The Dental Division, in collaboration with the UNMC College of Dentistry and Community Health Endowment funds, provides dental services to low-income adults, racial and ethnic minority groups and the elderly. The mobile health clinic visits schools and neighborhoods to reach under-served populations, who have the most difficulty accessing dental and health care services.



Lincoln Businesses Partner to Promote Employee Health

Lincoln is one of the five cities nationwide to receive the Well City Award. By sponsoring comprehensive wellness programs, forward-thinking companies enhance their reputations for caring about employees. Over 31,000 individuals in the Lincoln area work for companies that care about their employees' personal health and well-being. The Health Department is entering its 15th year as a partner with over 100 companies that represent WorkWell, Inc.

Pfizer Joins Forces with the Health Department to Reduce Household Hazardous Waste

As the Household Hazardous Waste (H.H.W.) Program enters its 16th year, it continues to focus on three primary objectives: educating the public on choosing less toxic products; getting the most toxic and hazardous waste out of people's homes; and encouraging citizens to correctly handle, recycle and dispose of hazardous waste thereby reducing health and environmental risks. For the third year in a row, a local industry, Pfizer, Inc., hosted H.H.W. collections as a service to our community.

